



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
FROM THE OFFICE ACTION

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Applicant : Joseph E. Ford, et al.  
Application No. : 09/501,199  
Filed : February 10, 2000  
Title : ARTICLE COMPRISING A TUNABLE FILTER

Grp./Div. : 2874  
Examiner : T.M. Lin

Docket No. : 48024/MJM/A717

Commissioner for Patents  
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September 5, 2003

Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated May 7, 2003 for one month(s) from August 7, 2003 to September 7, 2003.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEE
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 55	\$110	\$110
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$205	\$410	\$
WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$465	\$930	\$
WITHIN FOURTH MONTH	\$725	\$1450	\$
WITHIN FIFTH MONTH	\$985	\$1970	\$

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 110 to cover the cost of the extension.

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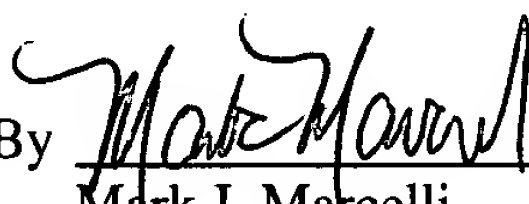
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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